

Competitors gather for pull

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used to the "outdoor real tractor pulls".

Several different brands of tractors, including International Harvester, Allis Chalmers, Massey Ferguson, and John Deere competed. Twelve tractors under the able hands of ten men competed throughout the night.

The pull took place at the grand opening of the Lehigh International, Inc., under

the direction of Ed Buss, who just happens to be a great micro-mini tractor fan and competitor himself.

It seems that there is a club of micro-mini tractor owners, which gets together once or twice a month just to test whose tractor is running the best that night. Sometimes they compete for money, sometimes not.

All of this is under the direction of the National Micro Mini Tractor Pull

Association, which governs and gives the rules for all pulls. The national group started back in 1971, the pullers have been active in the Lehigh area for about three years.

According to Allen George, Jr., Schnecksville R1; and Paul Lockard, Bangor; the appeal in the small versions of the big machines is mainly because of their size and cost. They're easier to handle and it would cost someone about \$175 to get set up and ready to compete.

They compete on a two by 16 foot plywood table, pulling weights in a similar pattern to that the real tractors do. The events are held during the Winter months, and inside, out of the weather. Some of the micro-mini tractor fanciers also pull at the regular-sized tractor pulls over the Summer months.

Four divisions were held last Friday night, while the onlookers watched. In each contest, the same tractors were used, with weights added to make the class requirements.

The results of the contest follow:

Three Pound

1. Allen George, 2. Rob Leiser, Plainfield Township;
3. Ed Buss, Walnutport;
4. Ed Vough, Bangor;
5. Mike Fulmer.

Four Pound

1. Allen George, 2. Paul Lockard, 3. Ed Buss, 4. Rob Leiser, 5. Ed Vough.



Top winners in the micro-mini tractor pull last Friday night were Paul Lockard, on the left, and Allen George, Jr. Here they show what the sport is all about.

Shorthorn breeders to meet

- Five Pound
1. Paul Lockard, 2. Allen George, 3. Rob Leiser, 4. Ed Buss, 5. Ed Vough.

- Six Pound
1. Allen George, 2. Paul Lockard, 3. Ed Buss, 4. Rob Leiser, 5. Mike Fulmer.

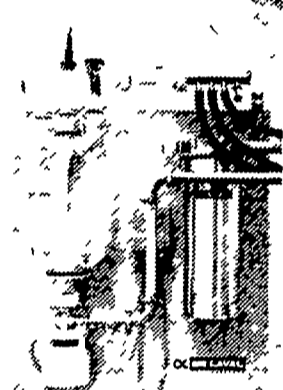
Anyone interested in the group or the micro-mini pulls can contact Ed Buss at Lehigh International Inc., Schnecksville, 215-767-1188.

VOLANT - The annual dinner meeting of the Pennsylvania Shorthorn and Polled Shorthorn Breeders' Association will be held on March 3, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Little Tony's, Murrysville, Pa. Little Tony's is located on Highway 22, approximately 5 miles east of the Monroeville Exit (No. 6) of the Pennsylvania Turnpike. Reservations are requested by February 21, 1979. Please make your reservations with Secretary, Richard C. Peoples, Box 246, Volant, Pa. 16156 (412-533-2913). Election of officers and directors for

1979 will be held at this meeting. Jane & Gregg Kerr of Duncancroft, Saxonburg, Pa. will present a program with slide pictures taken at the various Shows and Sales. The Spring Sale will be held on Saturday, May 5, 1979 at the Mercer 4-H Park. The 4-H Park is located on Highway 19, approximately two miles north of Mercer, Pa. The auctioneer will be Charles J. Behm. Nominations are due by March 10, 1979. Please send nominations with \$10 entry fee to Richard C. Peoples R2, Box 246, Volant, Pa. 16156 (412-533-2913).

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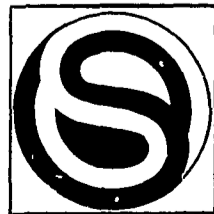
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